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Field Crops

Cotton harvesting is 83 percent complete, ahead of last year at 74 percent, and ahead of the five-year average of 81` percent. Alfalfa conditions range from poor to good. Sheeping off is active in western and central alfalfa acres in the State. Range and pasture conditions are mostly very poor, depending on location and elevation.

Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

Central Arizona growers shipped broccoli, cabbage, cantaloupes, greens, honeydews, spinach, and lemons.

Western Arizona growers shipped arugula, broccoli, cantaloupes, cauliflower, celery, cilantro, Chinese cabbage, endive, escarole, frisee, honeydews, kale, Boston, iceberg, and romaine lettuce, and green leaf, red leaf lettuce, bok choy, parsley, spinach, cantaloupes, honeydews, and miscellaneous melons this week.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	<i>- Percent -</i>				
Alfalfa	-	27	45	20	8
Range and Pasture	58	27	9	5	1

Crop Progress

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.
	<i>- Percent -</i>			
Cotton				
• Harvesting	83	78	74	81

Weather Summary

Temperatures were mostly below normal across the State for the week ending December 6, ranging from 7 degrees below normal at Canyon De Chelly to normal at Yuma. The highest temperature of the week was 76 degrees at Parker and Roll the lowest reading of minus 6 degrees occurred at Grand Canyon. Precipitation

was reported at nine of the 22 stations. Flagstaff, Maricopa and Prescott received 0.01 inches and Douglas received 0.46 inches of precipitation. There are no reporting stations that have above normal precipitation. Twenty of the 22 stations show less than 60 percent of normal precipitation.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data								
November 30, 2009 - December 6, 2009								
Station	Temperature				Precipitation			
	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Past Week	Jan. 1 to Date	Departure From Normal	Percent of Normal
Aguila	46	-5	69	23	0.00	3.70	-4.86	43
Buckeye	49	-5	70	26	0.00	2.30	-4.54	34
Canyon De Chelly	29	-7	48	2	0.02	4.36	-4.71	48
Coolidge	48	-5	69	24	0.00	3.17	-3.44	48
Douglas	44	-4	62	20	0.46	5.76	-6.80	46
Flagstaff	30	-2	52	13	0.01	8.78	-12.08	42
Grand Canyon	27	-2	51	-6	0.00	8.03	-10.62	43
Kingman	41	-5	64	18	0.00	4.26	-4.76	47
Marana	51	-3	68	33	0.00	4.71	-4.70	50
Maricopa	49	-4	70	25	0.01	3.45	-2.80	55
Paloma	50	-4	73	26	0.00	1.58	-3.73	30
Parker	49	-6	76	22	0.00	1.03	-2.20	32
Payson	36	-6	56	12	0.00	9.26	-10.98	46
Phoenix	55	-2	70	38	0.00	2.81	-4.03	41
Prescott	37	-3	61	12	0.01	6.06	-12.30	33
Roll	51	-4	76	26	0.00	0.82	-1.96	29
Safford	44	-3	62	21	0.35	4.08	-4.82	46
St. Johns	33	-5	52	5	0.00	3.44	-7.30	32
Tucson	50	-4	66	32	0.11	5.66	-5.45	51
Willcox	41	-4	59	18	0.30	9.84	-2.00	83
Winslow	35	-3	56	3	0.02	2.61	-4.89	35
Yuma	58	0	75	41	0.00	2.42	-0.36	87
1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.								

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